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REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's acknowledgment of the claim for priority in the parent application.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's acknowledgment of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 10, 2003.

Claims 16-35 are pending, and have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting over claim 16 of U.S. Patent No. 6,683,353. Without admitting to the propriety of the rejection, the Applicants submit herewith a terminal disclaimer to avoid the rejection.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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